

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the final Office Action dated January 11, 2007. Claims 1-23 are presented for examination, of which Claims 1, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 22, and 23 are in independent form. Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 19, 22, and 23 have been amended to define more clearly what Applicant regards as his invention. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant has carefully reviewed and amended the claims, as deemed necessary, to ensure that they conform fully to the requirements of Section 112, second paragraph, with special attention to the points raised in section 1 of the Office Action. It is believed that the rejections under Section 112, second paragraph, have been obviated, and their withdrawal are therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 1-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,738,975 (*Yee*) in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,107,268 (*Zawadzki*).

Independent Claim 1 is directed to a method for creating and/or managing enterprises online using at least one application running on a server in a data network environment. The method includes enabling a client to access the server over the data network, starting an application using a graphical interface, processing data transmitted by the client and/or data stored on at least one distributed resource using the application, and generating data relevant to creating and/or managing an enterprise. The server provides a first application providing legal forms allowing documents required to incorporate a business legally to be created. The server provides a second application questioning a user at the client with a plurality of questions, receiving from the user a plurality of answers to at least some of the questions, and

automatically generating a business plan in accordance with the answers, the second application further including a valuation program. The server provides a third application being adapted to perform financial analysis processing of financial input data, wherein data files including financial input data are transferred to a predefined tax form via the Internet, the third application further comprising a financial expert system adapted to provide at least one sample report having human-readable sentences and/or business graphics. The server also provides a fourth application for defining user rights, the user rights allowing a user to view and/or edit data.

One of the notable features of Claim 1 is a server that provides applications that include: (1) a first application providing legal forms allowing for creation of documents required to incorporate a business legally; (2) a second application questioning a user at the client with a plurality of questions, receiving from the user a plurality of answers to at least some of the questions, and automatically generating a business plan in accordance with the answers, the second application further comprising a valuation program; (3) a third application being adapted to perform financial analysis processing of financial input data, wherein data files including financial input data are transferred to a predefined tax form via the Internet, the third application further comprising a financial expert system adapted to provide at least one sample report having human-readable sentences and/or business graphics; and a (4) fourth application for defining user rights, the user rights allowing a user to view and/or edit data.

By virtue of this feature, a combination of applications are provided, which help a person who may be inexperienced in programming to manage enterprises. For example, non-programmers can create and manage databases and user rights online. Due to their complexity for a non-programmer, such tasks would conventionally be performed by a professional programmer.

Yee, as understood by Applicant, relates to a method of having different applications communicate over a network by connecting these applications using messages in the way of a transaction service and an error service. The method discussed in *Yee* is apparently used in conjunction with commercially available databases supplied by different vendors. As noted at page 4 of the Office Action, *Yee* fails to teach or suggest a method that includes generating data relevant for creating and/or managing the enterprise. In addition, *Yee* fails to teach or suggest the additional above-mentioned features of Claim 1.

Zawadzki, as understood by Applicant, is also directed to a very specific type of business and only a single part of the whole business cycle: basic purchase orders and budget. *Zawadzki* does not teach or suggest any financial analysis processing application or an application providing legal forms allowing the creation of documents required to incorporate a business legally, as in Claim 1. Furthermore, the teachings of *Zawadzki* cannot be applied to other types of businesses, such as trading companies or sole proprietorships because the business processes of the smaller entities are completely different.

Accordingly, nothing in either *Yee* or *Zawadzki*, or in any permissible combination thereof, is believed to teach or suggest the method of Claim 1, in which a server provides applications including: (1) a first application providing legal forms allowing for creation of documents required to incorporate a business legally; (2) a second application questioning a user at the client with a plurality of questions, receiving from the user a plurality of answers to at least some of the questions, and automatically generating a business plan in accordance with the answers, the second application further comprising a valuation program; (3) a third application being adapted to perform financial analysis processing of financial input data, wherein data files including financial input data are transferred to a predefined tax form via the Internet, the third

application further comprising a financial expert system adapted to provide at least one sample report having human-readable sentences and/or business graphics; and a (4) fourth application for defining user rights, the user rights allowing a user to view and/or edit data.

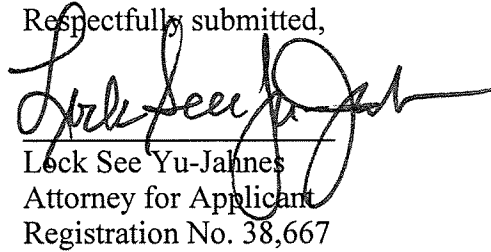
Therefore, Claim 1 is believed to be clearly allowable over *Yee* and *Zawadzki*, taken alone or in any permissible combination.

Independent Claims 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 22, and 23 include features similar to that discussed above with respect to Claim 1. Therefore, those claims are also believed to be patentable for at least the reasons discussed above. The other claims in this application, depend from one or another of the independent claims and, therefore, are submitted to be patentable for at least the same reasons. Because each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, individual reconsideration of the patentability of each claim on its own merits is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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